

UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI

SECOND SEMESTER FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER: MAY, 2020

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STUDIES

COURSE CODE: PA 406

TITLE OF PAPER: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

Instructions:

1. This paper consists of Section A and B
2. Answer TWO (2) questions: One question from Section A and another question from Section B
3. All questions carry equal marks of fifty (50 marks) each.

Special Requirements:

None

Additional Material (s)

None

Candidates may complete the front cover of their answer book when instructed by the Chief Invigilator and sign their examination attendance cards but must NOT write anything else until the start of the examination period is announced.

No electronic devices capable of storing and retrieving text, including electronic dictionaries and any form of foreign material may be used while in the examination room.

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SECTION 1:

1. Discuss the main types of decentralization in Africa, the reasons for decentralisation and the advantages and disadvantages of decentralization.

(50 Marks)

2. It is generally accepted that the local and regional levels of government are more important in Africa than in other continents for the promotion of democratic governance and development. Discuss the reasons why this is so.

(50 Marks)

SECTION 2:

3. Swaziland has a dual local government system. Discuss this dual system and make an assessment of the main challenges of this system of government and how it promotes or hinders development and decentralisation in Swaziland.

(50 marks)

4. Effective financial planning and management is critical in transforming the municipalities into better living areas. What are the four financial management processes used in municipalities? Discuss the main sources of municipal income.

(50 Marks)